

Money, public interest are biggest hurdles to Bridal Veil Falls protection

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PROVO — Money is the hardest thing to talk about when it comes to protecting Bridal Veil Falls.

Dr. Stanley Abbott, an Orem psychiatrist, called together local, state and federal representatives Tuesday morning to discuss turning the Provo Canyon waterfall into a national monument. David Grow of Orem and his family's corporations put the private property up for sale several months

ago, with the asking price of \$1.7 million.

"Personally, I'd like to see the community pick up the burden," said U.S. Rep. Chris Cannon, who hosted the meeting at his Provo office.

Abbott called together a variety of officials in hopes they could help him move one step closer to turning the world-renowned waterfall into a national monument. Provo and Orem mayors, a forest service supervisor and a state representative attended the meeting.

So did Cannon, even though he had originally not planned on meeting with Abbott. The Republican representative changed his schedule to meet with Abbott other officials.

The group concluded that three things are left to be done: They need to decide what level of preservation they want for the spectacular falls, the community needs to voice its feelings and someone needs to come up with the money.

State Rep. John Valentine, assistant house majority whip, said the meeting showed that national monument sta-

tus might not be the best option for preservation. Valentine said he doesn't think anyone will be able to meet all the criteria for monument status, so supporters should also look at making it a city or state park or a Forest Service-managed area. Peter Karp, forest supervisor with the Uinta National Forest, said making the waterfall a national scenic or geologic area wouldn't require congressional approval.

According to Mike Mower, Cannon's district manager, the National Park Service has indicated it doesn't have

the resources to expand the list of monuments it controls.

"Money's always the rub," said Provo Mayor Lewis Billings. "It's probably going to take a creative partnership to get it done."

"We don't currently have the funding to take this on ourselves, as far as I can see," Billings added.

Karp said residents should speak up and consider a fund-raising effort if they want the waterfall preserved. After that, Karp said the land could be donated to the city, state or Forest Service for further maintenance.

Mayor Jess Adamson said water should be flowing through the pipes by the end of the week.

Joan Richan: academic secretary, humanities
Robert Steele: professor, cab-

officials from Provo and across the state will have the opportunity to attend workshops on

settlement, the pre-Geneva days, establishment of farms and memories of growing up in Lindon.

E. 600 North, according to Orem Public Safety Department spokesman Lt. Bob Conner.

But after they entered the building, the burglars kicked in a locked door to a bishop's office, causing about \$1,000 worth of damage. Conner said nearly 200 checks were also stolen. He added that checks have been stolen in recent weeks from an LDS chapel in Provo, and Orem police have been investigating the passing of those checks in Orem.

At another chapel at 641 S. 400 East, police believe a door may have been left wedged open in the chapel so entry could be made later after everyone left. Again, the door to the bishop's office was kicked in but

County OKs amended funding pact for Olympic ice arena

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UTAH COUNTY — The Utah County Commission voted 2-1 Tuesday to approve a third amended funding agreement with Olympic organizers for the ice arena under construction in Provo.

Changes in the agreement dealt primarily with payments

Grover hasn't favored spending county money for the ice sheet arena. The structure will be paid for with a \$3 million grant from the Salt Lake Organizing Committee for the 2002 Winter Olympic Games (SLOC), plus \$2 million each from Provo City and Utah County. The SLOC grant won't be made until after the games, so SLOC will contribute funds for interest payments on bonds

E. Center St., Provo, to discuss a possible jail industry program at the Utah County Security Center in Spanish Fork.

According to state law, only the Department of Corrections can institute prison industry programs. After the hearing, commissioners said they will consider approving an interagency agreement with the Department of Corrections for the proposed program.

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